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Mr. Gene Taylor, SHWM-SR
Remedial Project Manager
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII
999 Eighteenth Street, Suite 500
Denver, Colorado 80202-2405

Dear Mr. Taylor:

ARCO's registered agent in Utah received EPA's letter of February 10, 1989 from Robert L. Duprey, with respect to the Richardson Flat Tailings Superfund site, on February 16, 1989. My office in turn received the letter on February 22, 1989. The letter requested a response in fourteen calendar days from receipt of the Scope of Work and draft Administrative Order. While the Scope of Work was attached to the original letter, we have yet to receive the draft Order. Therefore, ARCO considers that the response period (14 days) has not begun. ARCO also considers that the 60-day notice period under SARA has not commenced until the information package is complete. We will respond with substantive comments on the letter and with an indication of our intent to participate in negotiations, within 14 days of receiving the draft Order.

In the meantime, ARCO would appreciate more information on the site and its history. Reference was made in the letter on page three that "additional information has been obtained since the previous notice." ARCO has never received any notice on this site and requests copies of all correspondence previously sent to other PRPs. It is also unclear to ARCO the role of the State of Utah in this action and we ask that it be clarified. We look forward to working with the State.

Please forward all future correspondence and data concerning the Richardson Flat Tailings Superfund site to me at the following address:

Robert L. Dent
ARCO Coal Company
555 Seventeenth Street, Suite 2146
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Sincerely,

Robert L. Dent
Environmental Manager

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